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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1-8. (Cancelled)

9. (Previously presented) A door for a motor vehicle comprising:

a supporting framework including an inner side, an opposite outer side, and a

through opening between said inner and outer sides;

a supporting element fixedly secured to said outer side of said door, said

supporting element including a cylindrical sleeve defining a seat;

a rear-view mirror secured to said supporting element;

an attachment element fixedly connected to said supporting framework between

said supporting element and said through opening;

a lock for blocking said door in a closing position; and

a key assembly operatively connected to said lock and selectively actuated for

disabling/enabling opening of said lock from outside the motor vehicle, said key assembly.

including a casing having a peripheral flange fixed to a face of said attachment element on a side

of said attachment element facing towards said inner side of said door and said key assembly is

covered towards said outer side of said door by said supporting element and is accessible from

outside the motor vehicle through said seat, wherein said cylindrical sleeve of said supporting

element abuts said casing.

10. (New) A door as set forth in claim 9 wherein said key assembly is accessible from

outside the motor vehicle without moving said rear-view mirror from a use position.

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11. (New) A door as set forth in claim 10 wherein said cylindrical sleeve of said

supporting element abuts an end of said casing directly adjacent said peripheral flange.

12. (New) A door as set forth in claim 11 further including a reinforcement element

disposed between said peripheral flange of said casing and said face of said attachment element.

13. (New) A door for a motor vehicle comprising:

a supporting framework including an inner side, an opposite outer side, and a

through opening located between said inner and outer sides;

a supporting element fixedly secured to said outer side of said door, said

supporting element including a cylindrical sleeve defining a seat, said cylindrical sleeve

extending through said outer side of said door toward said inner side thereof;

a rear-view mirror secured to said supporting element;

an attachment element fixedly connected to said supporting framework and.

disposed between said supporting element and said through opening, said attachment element

having a through hole;

a lock for blocking said door in a closing position; and

a key assembly operatively connected to said lock and selectively actuated for

disabling/enabling opening of said lock from outside the motor vehicle, said key assembly

including a casing and a key unit, said casing having a peripheral flange fixed to a face of said

attachment element on a side of said attachment element facing towards said inner side of said

door to prevent rotation of said casing, said key unit housed within said casing and displaceable

with respect to said casing, wherein said casing and said key unit are set apart from said outer

side of said door and said key assembly is covered towards said outer side of said door by said

supporting element and is accessible from outside the motor vehicle through said seat without

moving said rear-view mirror from a use position, and wherein said cylindrical sleeve of said

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supporting element extends into said through hole of said attachment element and abuts an end of said casing directly adjacent said peripheral flange.